

TABLE 1  
 THE AVERAGE TEACHER SALARY 1981  
 STATE RANKINGS

Rank	State	Average Salary
1	Alaska	29,000
2	District of Columbia	22,883
3	New York	21,316
4	Michigan	21,057
5	Hawaii	20,993
6	Washington	20,702
7	Wyoming	20,438
8	Wisconsin	20,062
9	Rhode Island	19,803
10	California	19,648
11	Illinois	19,518
12	Maryland	19,286
13	Oregon	18,500
14	New Jersey	18,300
15	Massachusetts	18,288
16	Delaware	18,025
17	Colorado	17,734
18	Nevada	17,700
19	Pennsylvania	17,690
20	Connecticut	17,440
21	Arizona	17,359
22	Minnesota	17,182
23	New Mexico	16,944
24	Indiana	16,878
25	Utah	16,612
26	Ohio	16,200
27	Iowa	16,150
28	Montana	15,967
29	North Carolina	15,858
30	Texas	15,715
31	Kentucky	15,580
32	Georgia	15,444
33	Missouri	15,422
34	Florida	15,404
35	Kansas	15,250
36	Alabama	15,150
37	Idaho	15,146
38	West Virginia	14,948
39	Louisiana	14,900
40	North Dakota	14,881
41	Nebraska	14,675
42	Virginia	14,649
43	Oklahoma	14,640
44	New Hampshire	14,109
45	South Carolina	14,108
46	Tennessee	14,073
47	Maine	13,994
48	South Dakota	13,636
49	Arkansas	13,270
50	Vermont	13,235
51	Mississippi	13,000
	<b>U.S. Average</b>	<b>\$ 17,364</b>

Source: "Salary Trends for Teachers: Survey and Analysis 1983."  
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